CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LODI COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL MAY 18, 1955

This regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi held beginning at 8:00 o'clock p.m. of Wednesday, May 18, 1955; Councilmen Fuller, Hughes, Mitchell, Richey and Robinson (Mayor) present; none absent. City Attorney Mullen and City Manager Weller also present.

Minutes of the previous meeting of May 4, 1955, were approved as written and mailed. Mayor Robinson suggested that a copy of the minutes be made available to the public by posting on the bulletin board in the lobby of the City Hall.

COMMUNICATIONS

EMPLOYEES'

Letter from the City of Lodi Employees' Association inviting the City Council to attend the organization's annual picnic on June 4, 1955, at Lodi Lake Park.

JUNIOR TRAFFIC Letter from Police Department inviting the City PATROL PICNIC Council to attend the picnic held for the Junior Traffic Patrol at Lodi Lake Park on May 28, 1955.

BALLANTYNE PETITION ANNEXATION RES. #1866 ADOPTED A petition signed by John N. and Jessie L. Ballantyne asking for annexation of their property between Turner Road and the Mokelumne River west of the Macke Tract. On the motion of Councilman Fuller, Mitchell second, the Council adopted Resolution No. 1866, declaring its intention to annex said property and setting a public hearing for July 6, 1955.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CENTRAL AVE. PLANTING STRIPS

Mayor Robinson called upon Mr. Conrad Munsch of the Salem Evangelical Church to inquire as to what action had been taken by the Church regarding the maintaining of the planting strips in the center of Central Avenue from Pine Street to Locust Street. Mr. Munsch stated that the Church had decided that it would be willing to undertake the maintenance of that half-block section of the planting strip opposite the Church property, but would not be willing to assume the responsibility for the maintenance of the rest of the strips. Mayor Robinson asked if he felt it would be reasonable to leave one half-block section and remove the rest. Mr. Munsch replied that if the others are taken out, the Church's strip should probably go too. Council-man Richey stated that she felt it would be worthwhile for the City to maintain these strips as part of the City's park system. Councilman Fuller stated that a 50-foot street was too narrow to permit the 10-foot planting strips down the center. The motion by Councilman Richey, Hughes second, that the City administration investigate the possibility of maintaining the planting strips between the curbs and report the results to the City Council was adopted by the following vote:

-AYES: Councilmen Hughes, Richey and Robinson

NOES: Councilmen Fuller and Mitchell

REPORTS OF THE CITY MANAGER

EMERSON SCHOOL SITE

The City Manager read a letter received from the Board of Trustees of the Lodi Elementary School District, dated May 4, 1955, informing the City Council that the Board had agreed to start negotiations for the sale of the Emerson School site to the City of Lodi. It is to be offered to the City for \$22,500.00. While no strings were attached to the offer, the Board expressed itself as hoping that the City will see fit to use the site for the benefit of the community as a whole.

COMMUNITY COUNSELLOR RESIGNATION

Mr. Weller then read a letter of resignation received from Fred Gross, Community Counsellor. Mr. Gross stated in his letter that he was planning to go into private counselling and wished his resignation to become effective June 30, 1955. On the motion of Councilman Fuller, Richey second, the Council voted to accept Mr. Gross' resignation and to wish him luck in his new venture.

LOADING ZONE

The City Manager reported that he had received BAPTIST CHURCH a request from the Temple Baptist Church for a loading zone in front of the church at 7 North Crescent Avenue. He reported that most churches have a loading zone in front, and that the City Engineer and Chief of Police had been contacted and had no objection to the request. The request for a loading zone was then granted on the motion of $\ensuremath{^{\text{C}}}$ ouncilman Hughes, Richey second.

LEHR DRIVEWAY REQUEST

Mr. Weller submitted a request from Mr. Herb Lehr for permission to construct two 20-foot driveways in front of his sheet metal shop on East Lodi Avenue in order to provide an entrance and exit to off-street parking facilities in front of his place of business. Mr. Lehr's request was granted on the motion of Councilman Hughes, Richey second.

FINAL MAP HUTCHINS SUNSET PARK

A final map of the Hutchins Sunset Park subdivision was presented for approval. Mayor Robinson asked if the approval should not be withheld until an additional 20 feet is dedicated to complete the 60-foot right of way for Mills Avenue south of Lodi Avenue. Mr. Reuben Rott, representing the subdivider, stated that he had been unable to contact the owner of the property west of the sub-division. He pointed out that the City possessed a right of access over the 15 feet immediately west of the subdivision. On the motion of Councilman Hughes, Fuller second, the Council voted to approve the final map of Hutchins Sunset Addition and authorize the Mayor to sign said map subject to completion of the annexation of the property and the approval of the City Engineer. Such approval included acceptance of the streets offered for dedication as City streets subject to improvement of the streets to City standards before they will be maintained by the City.

FINAL MAP KRISTMONT ACRES

A final map entitled "Kristmont Acres, Unit No. 1", was then presented for approval. The final map was approved subject to the approval of the City Engineer, and the Mayor was authorized to sign said map upon completion of the annexation of

the property to the City of Lodi on the motion of Councilman Fuller, Richey second. The acceptance of the streets offered for dedication is subject to improvement of the streets to City standards before they will be maintained by the City.

CURB & GUTTER AWARD

RES. #1865 ADOPTED The City Manager reported that only one bid had been received for the construction of curbs and gutters in conjunction with the City's major street program. This bid, in the amount of \$3,865.00, was submitted by William Burkhardt. The City Engineer recommended that the award be made to Mr. Burkhardt. On the motion of Councilman Richey, Fuller second, Resolution No. 1865, awarding the contract for curb and gutter construction to William Burkhardt, subject to the approval of the Division of Highways, was adopted.

CITY HALL PARKING LOT

Mr. Weller read a letter from the Lodi District Chamber of Commerce, dated May 16, 1955, stating that the Board of Directors had approved the recommendation of the Retail Merchants Division that "the net increase in parking stalls (14) be made available for use of the general public under the same conditions as are in effect in other municipal lots". This recommendation is in regards to the use of the parking lot recently constructed immediately east of the City Hall. Mr. Weller reported that the City-owned vehicles require 22 parking stalls, which is exactly what we had before the construction of the new lot. He recommended that all of the stalls on the lot east of the City Hall be made available to the public with the exception of those absolutely needed by the Police Department. Councilman Mitchell then moved, Fuller second, that the spaces on the lot, except six spaces reserved for the Police Department, be designated as two-hour parking spaces for use by the public with the understanding that the City reserves the right to revoke permission for public use when deemed to be in the best public interest by the City Council. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

PETRANO

The Council then discussed the proper time restrictions on the newly improved lot at the corner of Main and Pine Streets. On the motion of Councilman Richey, Hughes second, the Council voted to place no restrictions on the parking time on this lot at this time, but asked that a report be made of the use made of the lot.

CLAIMS

Claims in the amount of \$59,811.87 were approved on the motion of Councilman Hughes, Richey second.

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

REZONING REQUESTS Mr. Weller read from the minutes of the Planning Commission the following actions:

1. Approved the rezoning from R-4 District to C-1 District of all those properties on the north side of Lodi Avenue between Pleasant and Lee Avenues.

- 2. Approved the rezoning from R-4 to C-1 of the south 50 feet of Lots 5 and 6 of Block 12, City of Lodi, said property being at the northwest corner of School and Locust Streets.
- 3. Approved the rezoning from R-4 to C-1 of the east 60 feet of Lot 5, Block 2, City of Lodi, said property being the northwest corner of Church and Elm Streets.

On the motion of Councilman Mitchell, Richey second, the Council set all three actions for public hearing to be held June 15, 1955.

ORD. NO. 529 ADOPTED

REZONES PORTION OF LAWRENCE HOMESTEAD ADDITION

ORDINANCE NO. 529, ENTITLED, "AMENDING THE OFFICIAL DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF LODI AND THEREBY REZONING CERTAIN PARCELS IN LAWRENCE HOMESTEAD ADDI-TION", having been introduced at the regular meeting of May 4, 1955, was brought up for passage on the motion of Councilman Mitchell, Richey second. Second reading was omitted by unanimous consent after reading by title, and was then passed, adopted and ordered to print by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmen - Fuller, Hughes, Mitchell, Richey and Robinson

NOES: Councilmen - None

ABSENT: Councilmen - None

Mayor Robinson then signed Ordinance No. 529 in approval thereof.

The meeting was then adjourned on the motion of Councilman Fuller at 9:10 p.m.

Henry A. GLAVES, JR. City Clerk